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Applicant: Veli-Matti LEHTOLA et al.  
Appl. No.: 09/486,971 Group: 1615  
Filed: April 11, 2000 Examiner: R. Bennett  
For: PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATION COMPRISING  
CLODRONATE AS ACTIVE INGREDIENT AND SILICIFIED  
MICROCRYSTALLINE CELLULOSE AS EXCIPIENT

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

January 24, 2001

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 24, 2000, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

*In the Specification*

Please insert the attached "Abstract" after page 13 containing claims.

*IN THE CLAIMS*

Please cancel claim 10 without disclaimer or prejudice to the subject matter contained therein.